



**Commission for Women
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
January 5, 2011**

The Commission for Women convened in a regular meeting on January 5, 2010 at City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Room #1101 in Austin, Texas.

Chair Angela Howard-Frederick called the meeting to order at 1:39 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Katherine Haenschen, Kim Skotak, Amy Welborn, Veronica Garcia and Marilyn Bostick.

Staff in Attendance: Terri Kerr (on behalf of Karen Sharp) and Carla Johnson

Guest: Andrea Stover – Leadership Austin

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES-** Commissioner Welborn moved to change the minutes of November 3 2010 due to the misspelling of her name in Section 3 of New Business #3; motion seconded by Commissioner Haenschen and minutes approved.

2. **OLD Business**

1. **We Are Girls Conference**

The Fete Accompli, Inc catered this event and the owner decided not to charge ACW for this event due to the fact the deliver dropped all of the deserts.

2. **Discussion of Women's Hall of Fame**

San Antonio Commission for Women annually hosts an event "Recognizing Women in the Community." ACW will host this event here in Austin as an annual event on a smaller scale. This event will take place the last Tuesday in March at City Hall. ACW will recognize 1-2 women within leadership roles in the City of Austin. Catering will be handled by Fete Accompli. Commissioner Haenschen and Chair Howard-Frederick will work together on the nominees. Commissioner Skotak will contact the caterer and Commissioner Skotak and Vice Chair Garcia will send out the invitations. Commissioner Skotak moved to accept and Vice Chair Garcia seconded.

3. **Briefing on Girls Truancy**

Commissioner Welborn stated Judge Sherry Statman will not be able to attend. Commissioner Welborn is searching for another judge to attend to provide this community information on this issue. Chair Howard-Frederick moved to placed on agenda for next month. Commissioner Skotak seconded.

4. Review of Quality of Life Survey

Discuss this initiative with Council Member Cole's Office to spear head. This will have to come out of the city budget to pursue. Commissioner Marilyn Bostick will take the lead and discuss with Council Member Cole. Chair Howard-Frederick moved to pass this motion and Commissioner Bostick seconded.

3. NEW BUSINESS

1. Partnership with UT Group

Chair Howard-Frederick has received no update at this time. Chair Howard-Frederick moved to discuss at a later time. Commissioner Skotak seconded.

2. Review Changes to By-Laws

After reviewing the By-Laws had questions regarding the wording of Article 8. Requested the staff liaison contact the City Clerk's Office to gain clarity on the statement. Chair Howard-Frederick voted to review at the next meeting in February. Commissioner Bostick seconded.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

5. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS: None.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS- We Are Girls Conference, Briefing of Girls Truancy, Review of Quality of Life Survey and Review Changes to By-Laws.

8. ADJOURN: Commissioner Garcia moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:55 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Bostick without objection.